

## **ERRATUM**

# Association of cognitive function and liability to addiction with childhood herpesvirus infections: A prospective cohort study—ERRATUM

---

MICHAEL M. VANYUKOV,<sup>a</sup> VISHWAJIT L. NIMGAONKAR,<sup>a</sup> LEVENT KIRISCI,<sup>a</sup> GALINA P. KIRILLOVA,<sup>a</sup> MAUREEN D. REYNOLDS,<sup>a</sup> KONASALE PRASAD,<sup>a</sup> RALPH E. TARTER,<sup>a</sup> AND ROBERT H. YOLKEN<sup>b</sup>  
<sup>a</sup>University of Pittsburgh; and <sup>b</sup>Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine

doi:10.1017/S0954579417000529, published by Cambridge University Press, 19 April 2017

The critical term *credible* interval was mistakenly changed editorially to *confidence* interval in the footnote to [Table 4](#). The entire corrected table and page are reprinted herein. We

sincerely regret this error and any problems or misunderstandings it may have caused.

## **Reference**

Vanyukov, M. M., Nimgaonkar, V. L., Kirisci, L., Kirillova, G. P., Reynolds, M. D., Prasad, K., . . . Yolken R. H. (2017). Association of cognitive function and liability to addiction with childhood herpesvirus infections: A

prospective cohort study. *Development and Psychopathology*. Advance online publication. doi:10.1017/S0954579417000529

---

Address correspondence and reprint requests to: Michael Vanyukov, Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Department of Psychiatry, and Department of Human Genetics, University of Pittsburgh, 3501 Terrace Street, 541A Salk Hall, Pittsburgh, PA 15261; E-mail: [mmv@pitt.edu](mailto:mmv@pitt.edu).

**Table 3.** Survival (Cox proportional hazard regression) analysis or the relationships between infections (each analyzed separately) and the rate of substance use disorder development

Predictor	Sex	Hazard Ratio	95% CI	p
HSV	Males	1.3	[0.91, 1.99]	.141
	Females	1.7	[0.91, 3.01]	.097
CMV	Males	0.9	[0.63, 1.18]	.359
	Females	1.7	[1.01, 3.04]	.047
EBV	Males	1.3	[0.95, 1.80]	.096
	Females	2.0	[1.13, 3.50]	.016
<i>T. gondii</i>	Males	1.4	[0.78, 2.42]	.278
	Females	1.9	[0.74, 4.74]	.188

Note: Household socioeconomic status was entered as a covariate in all equations, and the analysis was stratified by ethnicity. HSV, *Herpes simplex virus* Type 1; CMV, cytomegalovirus; EBV, Epstein-Barr virus; *T. gondii*, *Toxoplasma gondii*; IQ, Wechsler Intelligence Scale for Children, Third Edition, full-scale IQ; SUD, DSM-III-R diagnosis of substance use disorder.

cally, an increase), and are suggestive of a decrease by 1.6 for *T. gondii*.

For SUD, the results are suggestive of EBV effect in both sexes; the effect of HSV-1 in females and, somewhat weaker, in males; the effect of CMV in females, but no effect for CMV in males; and no *T. gondii* effect in either sex. Nevertheless, the overlapping credible intervals for the respective parameters in males and females do not indicate sex dimorphism in the relationships studied. These results largely parallel those observed in survival analysis. No infectious agent-SUD diagnosis relationship is mediated by IQ (data not shown), as the indirect paths involving IQ are not significant because the direct effect of IQ on SUD risk is close to 0 (corresponding to an odds ratio close to 1.0). In addition, none of the probabilities of a higher than 0 indirect effect from the infectious agents to SUD was greater than 0.5.

**Discussion**

The results of this longitudinal study are suggestive of relationships between seropositivity for common neurotropic infections HSV-1, EBV, and *T. gondii* in both sexes, and possibly CMV in males but not females, with lowered intelligence. Independent of these relationships, childhood EBV and HSV-1 infections in both sexes, and CMV in females, are associated with elevated risk for SUD in adulthood. This is the first study that relates childhood HHV and *T. gondii* infections, cognitive function, and SUD risk, and establishes the HHV-SUD risk connection. Most publications regarding cognitive impairment are in middle-aged or older individuals, whereas this study spans ages from preadolescence to adulthood. Few studies have addressed the association between HHV exposure and cognitive dysfunction. Few studies that we are aware of examined HHV seropositivity in relation to cognitive function in children (Jonker et al., 2014; Kimberlin et al., 2015; Tarter et al., 2014).

**Table 4.** Direct relationships in the path models

Predictors	Dependent Variables					
	Males			Females		
	IQ	SUD		IQ	SUD	
	<i>b</i> (95% CI)	<i>p</i> ( <i>b</i> < 0)	<i>p</i> ( <i>b</i> > or < 0)	<i>b</i> (95% CI)	<i>p</i> ( <i>b</i> < 0)	<i>p</i> ( <i>b</i> > or < 0)
HSV	-3.4 (-6.55, 0.03)	.97	.61	-1.2 (-5.57, 3.13)	.72	0.10 (-0.20, 0.39)
EBV	-1.7 (-4.41, 1.01)	.89	.75	-1.2 (-5.11, 2.65)	.73	0.15 (-0.13, 0.43)
CMV	-0.9 (-3.60, 1.84)	.74	.46	2.7 (-1.03, 6.56)	.07	0.10 (-0.16, 0.36)
<i>T. gondii</i>	-3.1 (-7.72, 1.46)	.91	.55	-1.6 (-8.00, 5.03)	.70	0.01 (-0.35, 0.37)
IQ			.70			-0.001 (-0.012, 0.011)

Note: See Figure 1. SUD, substance use disorder; HSV, *Herpes simplex virus* Type 1; EBV, Epstein-Barr virus; CMV, cytomegalovirus; *T. gondii*, *Toxoplasma gondii*. The cells contain unstandardized estimates of path coefficients (*b*), with 95% credible intervals (CI) in parentheses and the probabilities that *b* is either less (for effects on IQ) or greater (for SUD) than 0. A 95% credible interval (the Bayesian analog of confidence interval, approximately equal to it if the distribution is symmetric), is the range in which the true value of a parameter is located with 95% certainty. The *p* (*b*) values indicate the probability that the regression coefficient is either less than 0 (for the agent-IQ relationships and the IQ-SUD relationship) or greater than 0 (for the predictor-SUD relationships).